

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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John BUTLER et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3775
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Application No.: 10/665,395	)	Examiner: Ramana, Anuradha
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Filed: September 22, 2003	)	
	)	
For: WOUND RETRACTOR SYSTEM	)	Confirmation No.: 4412

**Mail Stop - Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2009, the period for response having been extended to May 17, 2010 (May 16, 2010 falling on a Sunday) by the Petition for Extension of Time of three months and fee payment submitted electronically at the time of filing, please amend the above-referenced application as provided below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this reply.

**Remarks** follow the claim amendments section, and begin on page 9 of this reply.